

## **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

The drawings have been corrected as required by the Examiner. Replacement sheets showing the corrections are enclosed with this response.

Claim 1 has been amended to more clearly define the structure of the camlock which comprises a plurality of turning slots recessed into the face of the camlock, and also comprises a ratchet lock pawl. Support for these amendments is found on page 4 of the specification, lines 21-24, and Figs. 1B and 4.

Claim 2 has been amended to require that the inner diameter of the shoulder be such that the ratchet lock pawl will be depressed when the socket is fully seated over the camlock. Support for this amendment is found on page 6 of the specification, lines 2-8.

New claims 5 and 6 cover the embodiment wherein the tangs are evenly spaced around the periphery of the socket. Support for the new claims is found on page 5 of the specification, lines 24-27.

### ***Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 112***

Claim 1 has amended to correct the lack of antecedent basis for the expression “the engagement head”. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the rejection of the claims under 35 USC § 112, second paragraph, be withdrawn.

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 102***

The rejection of claims 1-4 under 35 U.S.C. §102 (b) as being anticipated by Moore (2,909,090) is believed obviated by the amendments which specify the plurality of tangs on the socket engage a plurality of turning slots recessed into the face of a standard camlock. The socket wrench in Moore is designed to turn multi-sided lock nuts which have recesses around the periphery of the lock nuts. (Col. 1, lines 19-24). Figs 1, 3-7 in Moore all show lock nuts with recesses around the periphery. Since the plurality of tangs on the socket of the invention engage turning slots recessed into the face of the camlock, the socket, as presently claimed, is clearly distinguishable over Moore. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the rejection of claims 1-4 based on Moore be withdrawn.

Claim 2 is believed patentable over Moore for the additional reason that this claim now specifies the inner diameter of the shoulder be such that the ratchet lock pawl will be depressed when the socket is fully seated over the camlock. The socket wrench in Moore is used to turn

multi-sided locknuts. Moore is not at all concerned with depressing ratchet lock pawls and would not inherently have a shoulder with an inner diameter sized to accomplish this.

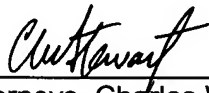
New claims 5 and 6 are believed patentable over Moore for the additional reason that these claims specify the tangs are evenly spaced around the periphery of the socket. In contrast, the lugs on the socket in Moore are spaced apart alternately by angles of 50° and 130°. (Col. 1, line 71 to col. 2, line 7).

For all of the above reasons, and in view of the amendments, the application is believed in condition for allowance, which action is respectfully requested.

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